

CHAPTER 1110

WITHDRAWAL OF LIFE-SUSTAINING PROCEDURES FROM MINORS AND ABORTION PREREQUISITES

H.F. 594

AN ACT relating to medical procedures including abortion and limitations regarding the withdrawal of a life-sustaining procedure from a minor child.

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

Section 1. NEW SECTION. 144F.1 **Withdrawal of life-sustaining procedures from minor child — court intervention.**

1. A court of law or equity shall not have the authority to require the withdrawal of life-sustaining procedures from a minor child over the objection of the minor child's parent or guardian, unless there is conclusive medical evidence that the minor child has died and any electronic brain, heart, or respiratory monitoring activity exhibited to the contrary is a false artifact.

2. For the purposes of [this section](#):

a. "Life-sustaining procedure" means the same as defined in [section 144A.2](#).

b. "Minor" means the same as specified in [section 599.1](#).

Sec. 2. [Section 146A.1, subsection 1](#), unnumbered paragraph 1, Code 2020, is amended to read as follows:

A physician performing an abortion shall obtain written certification from the pregnant woman of all of the following at least ~~seventy-two~~ twenty-four hours prior to performing an abortion:

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